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GENERAL COUNSEL

Introductory Statement

The General Counsel is responsible for all legal matters arising in connection with the official business of the Agency; acts as adviser to the Director on all such business; advises and assists all officials and employees of the Agency on legal matters and all matters involving the legal interpretation and significance of existing or pending legislation; reviews all regulatory material of the Agency for legality; studies and recommends Agency action in connection with interpretation or enactment of legislation in order to preserve or attain legislative requirements of the Agency; responsible for and control of all general liaison outside the Agency relating to legal matters; directs the activity of the Legislative Counsel of the Agency.

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NARRATIVE JUSTIFICATION

Agency Legal Services

General:

The General Counsel is responsible for all legal matters arising in connection with the official business of the Agency and for directing the activities of the Legislative Counsel.

Accomplishments Fiscal Year 1960:

The general level of legal services performed by the Office of General Counsel remained approximately the same. During the period one lawyer was dispatched to stations in Europe and the Middle East for assistance in tax problems. By request of the Mission, one lawyer was transferred to an administrative-support position which will include dealing with legal problems in the area. Also, a lawyer was dispatched to Europe in connection with a special project.

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The legislative function continued to increase gradually in the extent of activities to include a number of items of legislation which were of direct and indirect interest to the Agency.

Background research was completed and initial drafting begun on the legal history of the Agency.

Objectives Fiscal Years 1961 and 1962:

To perform legal services as stated above.

Explanation of Changes in Financial Requirements Fiscal Year 1962 over Fiscal Year 1961:

The net increase is due primarily to the increase related to periodic pay increases and placing the pay act increase on a full-year basis.

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